

the river AMSUMATI, (I have seen)
 KRISHNA stand-
 ing there as (the sun) in a cloud; I appeal
 to you,
 showerers ; conquer him in battle.¹ ??

15. Then the swift-moving one shining forth as-
 sumed his own body by the A^SUMAT!, and IXDRA
 with BRIHASPATI as his ally smote the godless²
 hosts

as they drew near.

16. ³As soon as thou wast born, IXDRA, tliou wast
 Varga xxxv.

an enemy to those seven who had no enemy;⁴
 thou
 recoveredst the heavens and earth when
 concealed
 (in darkness); thou causest joy to the mighty
 worlds.

17. Thunderer, thou, the resolute one, didst
 smite

that unrivalled might with thy bolt; thou
 destroyedst

SUSHNA with thy weapons, thou recoveredst
 the

cows, I^DRA, by thy wisdom.

18. Thou, showerer, wast the mighty destroyer
 of

the hindrances of thy worshippers; thou didst
 set

free the obstructed rivers, thou didst win the
 waters

which the *Ddsas* had mastered.

19. He who noble in his exploits rejoices in
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¹ This is Indra's speech to the Maruts. I suppose the
 simile
 means that, though the demon thinks to conceal himself, 3io
 is
 seen as clearly by Indra as the sun is behind a cloud.

² Sayana explains *adei'ik* as "not shining, dark/⁷ or "nut
 to
 be praised" (Virgil's "illaudati").

³ Sama Yeda, I. 4. 1. 4. 4.

⁴ Sc. Krishna, Yritra, Xamuehi, Sambara, etc. Anoihcr
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 terpretation is " thou wast an enemy to those who had no

enemy,
on behalf of the seven sages (the Angirasas), *i.e.* in order
to
recover their cows/

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